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NORMS FOR RESEARCH WORK BY MNC DRUG COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total value of medicines produced and the total value of research undertaken by the Multinational Drug Companies in India during the last three years, company-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any norms for undertaking research work for the Multinational Drug Companies operating in India;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the names of the foreign drug companies which have been found not following the said norms?

Answer

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES (KAPIL SIBAL)

(a) The Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR) has a scheme for granting recognition to the in-house R&D units of industry. Sales turnover (in other words, total value of medicines produced) and research & development expenditure (in other words, total value of research undertaken) by the foreign multinational drug companies having R&D units recognized by DSIR, during the last three years is given below: